## **HOUSE BILL 2809**

## By Sontany

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 17, relative to motor vehicle sales licenses.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-17-111, is amended by deleting subdivision (g)(1) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:
  - (1) Each application for a license or renewal of a license of a motor vehicle dealer shall be accompanied by evidence satisfactory to such commission that such dealer has a surety bond in the amount of at least fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) in force. A letter of credit shall not be satisfactory evidence of a surety bond in the required amount.
- SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-17-111, is further amended by deleting the first sentence of subdivision (g)(3) and substituting instead the following:
  - (3) In lieu of a corporate surety on the bond required by this subsection (g)(1), the commission may allow the dealer to secure such bond by depositing collateral in the form of a certificate of deposit, as accepted and authorized by the banking laws of the state of Tennessee, which has a face value equal to the amount of the bond.

    SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008, the public welfare requiring it.